

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

KATZMAN, et al.

Examiner: SCHNEIDER, Craig M.

Appl. No.: 10/550,190

Confirmation No. 7379

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Art Unit: 3753

Title: GAS PURGE VALVE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

Mail Stop RCE P.O. Box 1450 Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This is an amendment made pursuant to Request for Continued Examination, responsive to a final Office Action having a mailing date of May 23, 2008. The three month shortened statutory period to respond is set to expire August 23, 2008. Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments of Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.